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**FLORENCE, S.C.** - The Armstrong Atlantic State softball squad placed seven players on the 2010 All-Peach Belt Conference softball first and second teams, announced Thursday evening at the league's annual banquet prior to the beginning of the 2010 PBC Softball Championships.

The Pirates placed three players on the All-Conference first team. Senior first baseman Nicole Huddleston earned first-team All-PBC honors for the second straight year, hitting .317 with a career-high nine home runs and 37 RBIs, slugging .604. Sophomore April Jowers also earned All-PBC honors for the second straight year, in her first year with AASU after transferring from Columbus State. Jowers currently leads the Pirates in batting average (.429) and set a single-season school record with 25 stolen bases. Junior shortstop Amber Janus is the third first-team honoree, earning At-Large honors at shortstop. Janus hit .305 with 10 RBIs and fielded .938 at short in her first season at AASU.

Four AASU players were named to the second team, including sophomore third baseman Baillie Temples, the PBC's leading home run hitter with 15. Temples is hitting .413 with a team-high 49 RBIs as well. Freshman Shelby Duff earned second team honors as a utility player, hitting .307 with three home runs and 20 RBIs, as well as going 10-4 in the circle with a 2.40 ERA. Fellow freshman hurler Megan Barnwell earned At-Large second team honors after she went 13-7 with a 1.76 ERA in 25 appearances, striking out 157 batters in 143.0 innings pitched, giving up just 104 hits. Sophomore catcher Ashley Buckett also earned At-Large honors on the second team as well. Buckett hit .288 with four home runs and 16 RBI, while also throwing out 10 of 24 opposing basestealers during the season.

The seven All-Conference honorees for the Pirates in 2010 is a new high, eclipsing the five honored by the league in 2004. You can view the entire 2010 All-PBC Softball team [here](#).

AASU begins action in the 2010 PBC Championships on Friday as the No. 4 seed, facing No. 5 seed Flagler at 11:00 a.m. at the Freedom Florence Park in Florence, S.C.



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